U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report 26V725

Manufacturer Name: Ford Motor Company
Submission Date: Nov 02, 2026
NHTSA Recall No.: 26V725
Manufacturer Recall No.: 26S82

Manufacturer Information

Manufacturer Name: Ford Motor Company
Address: 20000 Rotunda Drive
Mezzanine
Dearborn MI, 48124

Population

Total number of potentially involved: 330
Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2026-2026 FORD BRONCO
Product Category: Light Vehicles
Product Type: Multipurpose Passenger Vehicle
Fuel / Propulsion:
Production Dates: Sep 21, 2026 - Sep 22, 2026
Number of potentially involved: 330

Descriptive Information:

Ford's team reviewed manufacturing records to determine the population of affected vehicles. The Ford process is capable of tracing the driver side windshield wiper arm nut torque data to each individual vehicle. Affected vehicles may have been manufactured with the nut insufficiently tightened.

These vehicles are not produced in VIN order. Information as to the applicability of this action to specific vehicles can best be obtained by either calling Ford's toll-free line (1-866-436-7332) or by contacting a local Ford or Lincoln dealer who can obtain specific information regarding the vehicles from the Ford On-line Automotive Service Information System (OASIS) database.

330 Ford Bronco vehicles are affected.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

On affected vehicles, the driver side windshield wiper arm nut may be insufficiently tightened, which could result in the wiper arm slipping on the pivot shaft or detaching.

FMVSS1:

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FMVSS2:

Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

If the driver side wiper arm were to slip on the pivot shaft or detach, the driver may experience partial or complete loss of driver-side wiper function, which can reduce visibility when the wipers are needed and increase the risk of a crash.

Description of the cause:

A mechanical failure occurred in the fastening tool used to tighten the driver side wiper arm nut resulting in inaccurate torque. As a result, affected vehicles may have been assembled with the wiper arm nut insufficiently tightened.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

None

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type: OEM

Name: Ford Motor Company

Address: One American Road
Dearborn MI, 48126

Country: United States

Involved Components

Component Name 1: ARM ASY - WIPER

Component Description: ARM ASY - WIPER

Component Part Number: M2DB-17527-AA

Chronology

On **September 22, 2026**, Michigan Assembly Plant (MAP) discovered a low residual-torque reading during an audit for the nut securing a 2026 model year (MY) Ford Bronco driver side windshield wiper arm.

On October 8, 2026, this concern was opened in Ford's Critical Concern Review Group (CCRG).

CCRG reviewed engineering specifications for the driver side wiper arm nut and compared it to manufacturing records of affected vehicles. CCRG determined that while the wipers were functioning at the point of production, the low residual-torque condition could affect the function of the wiper over time

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or potentially if subjected to additional loading, such as snow. CCRG reviewed manufacturing records of torque trace data and was able to determine the population of vehicles potentially affected by this condition.

As of October 12, 2026, Ford is not aware of any warranty claims, field reports, customer reports or Vehicle Owner Questionnaires (VOQs) potentially related to this concern.

On **October 27, 2026**, Ford's Field Review Committee reviewed the concern and approved a field action.

Ford is not aware of any reports of accident or injury related to this condition.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Inspect, Repair, Replace

Consumer Advisories: ☐ Do Not Drive ☐ Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

Owners will be notified by mail and instructed to take their vehicle to a Ford or Lincoln dealer to have the driver side wiper function inspected, wiper arm nut tightened, and wiper arm replaced as required. There will be no charge for this service.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

The driver side wiper arm nut will be tightened to specification.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

Not required per 49 CFR Part 573.

Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

Notification to dealers is expected to occur on November 6, 2026. Mailing of remedy owner notification letters is expected to begin November 16, 2026, and is expected to be completed by November 20, 2026. The date VINs are planned to be searchable is November 6, 2026.

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Planned Dealer Notification Date: Nov 06, 2026 - Nov 06, 2026 ☐ No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: ☐ No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Nov 16, 2026 - Nov 20, 2026 ☐ Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: Nov 06, 2026